

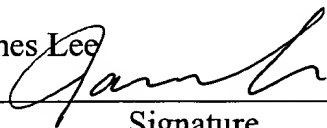
REMARKS

The newly-drafted claims 88-94 are presented by the above amendments for examination on the merits. Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 88-94 are within the scope of the original invention and do not add any new subject matter. Theser claims are directed to a processor for performing certain functions on data in accordance with an instruction. The processor includes a sign-extending unit for processing sign-extending data and a zero-extending unit for processing zero-extending data, either one of which is used to process data in response an instruction. (See. Co. 14, lines 20-44 of U.S. Patent 5,809,306) The processor further includes a first and second registers for holding data. The processor either sign-extends or zero-extends data depending upon whether the first register is designated by the instruction. (See Col. 14, lines 25-58)

If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

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